

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)	Examiner: SAOUD, Christine J.
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Avi J. ASHKENAZI, et al.)	Art Unit: 1647
)	
Application Serial No. 09/978,188)	Confirmation No: 5212
)	
Filed: October 15, 2001)	Attorney's Docket No. GNE-2630P1C8
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For: SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE)	Customer No. 77845
POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC ACIDS)	
ENCODING THE SAME)	

ON APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES
REQUEST TO WITHDRAW APPEAL BY APPELLANTS

Commissioner for Patents - **MAIL STOP APPEAL BRIEF - PATENTS**
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Dear Sir:


On February 25, 2008, the Examiner made a final rejection to pending Claims 63-66 and 68-70. A Notice of Appeal was filed on July 24, 2008 and Appellants' Appeal Brief was filed November 24, 2008.

Appellants hereby request that the appeal be withdrawn, and that the above-identified application be expressly withdrawn as of the filing date of this paper.

I am the attorney or agent of record.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 16, 2009

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